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 Serial No.: 10/659,044 Examiner: Thao X Le  
 Filed: September 9, 2003 Assignee: Intel Corporation  
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 POWER DELIVERY AND MECHANICAL BUFFERING

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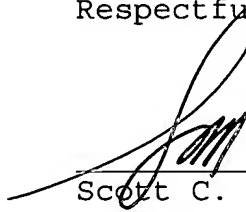
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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office action mailed December 9, 2004,  
please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 9 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.

An Appendix including amended drawing figures is attached  
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